

REMARKS

All claims pending from the PCT application have been canceled (Claims 2, 4-8, 10-15 as originally filed have been canceled and claims 1, 3, 9, 16-19 of the amended sheets have been canceled). New claims 20-37 have been added. Thus, claims 20-37 are presented for examination. Applicants respectfully request allowance of the present application in view of the foregoing amendments.

The amendments are not made for purposes of patentability.

In the International phase of this PCT application, amended sheets have been filed. Any amendments in the International phase are hereby incorporated by reference in their entirety in the present Preliminary Amendment and also filed on separate sheets herewith as originally filed along with an English translation.

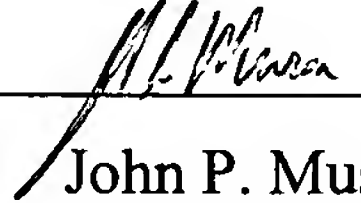
A marked up copy and a clean copy of the Substitute Specification incorporating the changes to the specification in the present Preliminary Amendment are provided with this application. No new matter has been added by way of the Substitute Specification.

Conclusion

The commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any appropriate fees due in connection with this paper, including the fees specified in 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16(c), 1.17(a)(1) and 1.20(d), or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 19-2179.

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